Speed of Life

Jude Cole

Like ghosts on open windows
The curtains rise and fall
The past is a foreign country
At the dark end of the hallAnd the morning is an offering
To the shelter of the day
But the violent come
And they bury it awayTime goes by at the speed of life
Slower than a slow dance on a hot summer night
Faster than the skin breaks on the edge of a knife
And we just go on at the speed of lifeLike questions begging answers
The stars appear at night
What's it mean to love somebody
What's it mean to be aliveI heard a little girl laughing
At her first sight of snow
Saw an old man dying
In a room, he didn't knowWhile the world turns through the ages
It's a most peculiar ride
Holding on to one another
Moving at the speed of lifeWe just go on at the speed of life
A family on the midway in the carnival lights
Moving in a circle through the sounds and the sights
And it all goes by at the speed of lifeTime goes by at the speed of life
Slower than a slow dance on a hot summer night
Faster than the skin breaks, baby
On the edge of a knifeAnd we just go on and on at the speed of life
Moving at the speed of life, speed of life
On and on and on and on
On and on and on and on

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